

My Angel Mother.
In the land beyond the river.
Under the skies forever fair.
Dwells my sainted angel mother.
Watching for my coming there.
One day o'er the silent waters
At the setting of the sun.
Went she with the mystic boatman,
And her earthly life was done.

Much I miss her at the twilight.
When the shadows veil the skies,
For she used to sing at evening
Many tender melodies.

I have stood in old cathedrals,
Where a hundred singers sang,
But their voices never thrilled me
Like her voice, when I was young.

She wond'ra' her life-work,
When the lamps waz all aglow,
And from that God's word she read
Truth to guide our steps aright,
And she whispered us of Heaven.

Where the many mansions are,
And while she was here among us
Heaven seemed not so very far.

Oh, I know the angels met her,
When the boatman rowed her o'er,
And they sang a song of welcome
When her feet touched Heaven's shore.

There she waits the heavenly coming
Of the one she loved so dear,
On her face and heart the glory
Of her now immortal birth.

Sometimes, in the twilight silence,
I fancy she is near,
And I listen for her blessing,
Which I feel, but do not hear.

Then I long to hear her calling
From that shore where she rests,
For my heart grows weary waiting,
For my angel mother's sake.

RUSSIAN SABLES.—The most fashionable of all furs is the Russian Sable—the skin of the Mustela zibellina, which is about three or four times as long as the common weasel, to which family it belongs. A choice skin of the sea otter or the black fox may command a higher price than one of the Russian sable, but the cost of latter will be relatively greater on account of its smaller size. The fur of the Russian Sable is brown in summer, with some gray spots on the head, and distinguished from all other furs by the hairs turning and lying equally well in any direction. In winter, when the animal is usually taken, the color of the fur is a beautiful black. The darker skins are the most valuable. In its natural condition the fur has a bloomy appearance, but as the sables generally lose their gloss, and the hairs become twisted or crimped. Sometimes the skins are blackened by being smoked, but the deception is exposed by the smell and the crimped hairs. A dyed or smoked fur may be detected by rubbing it with a moist linen cloth, which will then become blackened. It is said, however, that the Chinese dye the sables and give them a permanent color without destroying the gloss. In this case the fur may be detected by the crimped hairs. The best skins are from the Yakutsk, Kamchatka and Russian Lapland. Only about 25,000 are annually taken, and these command extraordinary prices, the average price of the raw skin being about \$25, while a choice "crown" Russian sable will sell for \$200. But few of these furs reach English or American markets. The chief demand is in Russia, where the use of the sable is monopolized by the imperial family and by the nobility, by whom it is chiefly used for living for civic robes, coats, &c., and for ladies' hats.

The fashion now so prevalent of ornamenting ladies' hats and bonnets with small birds has given such an impetus to the activity of the birdcatchers, both in England and in France, to cause well-grounded fears for the annihilation of favorite songsters. This was forcibly pointed out in a case which came recently before the Dover Bench, in which two men were charged with trespass. Upon them were found no less than 51 dead skylarks, and a large number of finches, thrushes, bullfinches, &c. A gentleman connected with the Customs at Dover stated that it was well known that a large premium was paid to men like the prisoners for these birds, and that it was within his cognizance that during the past fortnight no less than 2,000 of the brightest plumage birds from Normandy passed through Dover on their way to a firm of milliners in London, their destination evidently being to ornament the hats and bonnets of Beigian ladies.

It is related of George Clark, the celebrated negro minstrel, that, being examined as a witness, he was severely interrogated by the attorney, who wished to break down his evidence. "You are in the negro minstrel business, I believe?" inquired the lawyer. "Yes, sir," was the prompt reply. "Isn't that rather a low calling?" demanded the lawyer. "I don't know but what it is, sir," replied the minstrel, "but it is so much better than my father's that I am rather proud of it." "What was your father's calling?" "He was a lawyer," replied Clark, in a tone of regret that put the audience in a roar. The lawyer let him alone.

There is considerable discussion and difference of opinion as to how rapidly fish grow. A recent letter from England says that a salmon weighing eighteen pounds was lately caught in the Severn, wearing a silver label. This was identified and proved the fish to be one which was caught six months before and returned to the water. At the time it weighed nine pounds. That is, it had gained a pound a half for a month, or nearly a ounce a day right along.

Harriet Hosmer will contribute a group, representing emancipation, to the women's department of the Centennial exhibition—the largest ideal work she has executed.

Perhaps the most dressy of all furs introduced lately is the silver fox.

IMPROVEMENTS IN PHOTOGRAPHY.

Among the recent improvements in photography is a method of engraving on wood by this means, and an apparatus for taking photographs at night, both of these of foreign origin. In the first named, the block of wood is covered at the outset with a layer of gelatine by means of a soft brush, and when this coating is dry, it is covered, in the dark, with a solution of suitable proportions, of red prussiate of potash, ammonia—citrate of iron, and water, these being mixed and filtered, and the mixture kept in the dark. When the layer is dry it is exposed under a negative for ten to twelve minutes, and washed with a soft sponge, when a blue image appears, and, prepared in this way, the coating does not shell off under the graver. In regard to taking photographs at night, it has been found that if bisulphide of carbon is burned with peroxide of nitrogen, the light produced in this way all act on photographic paper in the same manner as sunlight, and with, of course, the same artistic effect. According to the arrangement for insuring the success of this process, the bisulphide of carbon is placed in a lamp suitable constructed, and the peroxide of nitrogen being carried into the flame, completes the combustion.

It will be well for those of our citizens who send papers to friends across the water to know that addresses only must be written on the wrapper of the paper. The English post office authorities have recently returned numbers of papers because initials and brief messages have been written on the wrappers, and the New York authorities are detaining papers which bear such marks. This explains why many papers which are sent daily to friends are never received.

HEALTH AND COKE.—Until the fur of the Russian Sable is brown in summer, with some gray spots on the head, and distinguished from all other furs by the hairs turning and lying equally well in any direction. In winter, when the animal is usually taken, the color of the fur is a beautiful black. The darker skins are the most valuable. In its natural condition the fur has a bloomy appearance, but as the sables generally lose their gloss, and the hairs become twisted or crimped. Sometimes the skins are blackened by being smoked, but the deception is exposed by the smell and the crimped hairs. A dyed or smoked fur may be detected by rubbing it with a moist linen cloth, which will then become blackened. It is said, however, that the Chinese dye the sables and give them a permanent color without destroying the gloss. In this case the fur may be detected by the crimped hairs. The best skins are from the Yakutsk, Kamchatka and Russian Lapland. Only about 25,000 are annually taken, and these command extraordinary prices, the average price of the raw skin being about \$25, while a choice "crown" Russian sable will sell for \$200. But few of these furs reach English or American markets. The chief demand is in Russia, where the use of the sable is monopolized by the imperial family and by the nobility, by whom it is chiefly used for living for civic robes, coats, &c., and for ladies' hats.

COOKING MEAT.—Meat should be cooked by a quick fire, as the rapid closing of the outer pores retains all the juices within, and thus becoming heated, create a natural process of steaming in its own gravy.

EXCELLENT TEA.—THE ORIGINAL AMERICAN TEA COMPANY of New York, which Robert W. Peet, President, was established 1840, and since that time has been steadily gaining in favor, not only in the city of New York, but all over the country, until now its tea reaches every section. The leading press of the city and of hundreds of places in the country have endorsed it as perfectly reliable, and parties wishing excellent tea at low prices, can with perfect confidence send to this company for it. These teas are put up in one pound packages, with the name and price printed on the wrapper, also, in boxes containing 5, 10, 20 and 30 pounds. They range in price from 40 cents to \$1.30 per pound. Our merchants can have samples mailed to their address by enclosing 10 cents for each sample. The company wish reliable agents in every town to get up stores, and offer great inducements. Send for our circulars, always, Peet, Wells, Pres't, No. 43 Vesey St., New York.

Banks and Insurance.

INSURE IN THE HUMBOLDT (MUTUAL) INSURANCE COMPANY.

ASSETS OVER \$326,000. OFFICE 735 BROAD STREET.

(Essex County National Bank Building.) NEWARK, N. J.

This Company insures against loss and damage by fire, Dwellings, Furniture, Buildings and Merchandise, at favorable rates, either on the Mutual or Non-Participating plan.

OFFICERS: J. C. LUDLOW, Pres't; J. A. HEDDEN, Treas.; E. W. McCLOY, Vice Pres't.

Essex County Mutual INSURANCE COMPANY.

CHARTERED 1843.

Office on Liberty street, a few doors east of Broad, BLOOMFIELD.

This Company continues to insure Dwellings, Stores and other property, on terms more favorable than any other on the Mutual or Non-Participating plan.

J. C. DODD, President.

NEARLY 1000 BROAD ST.

NEWARK, N. J. Sept. 13, 1875.

Deposits made on or before OCTOBER FIRST, 1875.

German spoken.

DANIEL DODD, President.

W. M. DODD, Treasurer.

NEWARK SAVINGS INSTITUTION.

800, 802, 804 BROAD ST.

CORNER MECHANIC ST.

NEWARK, N. J. Sept. 13, 1875.

Deposits made on or before OCTOBER FIRST, 1875.

Oct. 1st, 1875, will bear interest from that date.

BLOOMFIELD, Sept. 20, 1875.

ISRAEL C. WARD, President.

T. C. DODD, Treasurer.

As constructed by the subscriber. Pumps and all necessary apparatus furnished of peculiarly convenient make.

ALL WORK WARRANTED.

T. F. HEWITT.

Bloomfield, N. J.

Keep away malignant fevers, and other disorders by using PURE WATER which can be obtained with certainty and cheapness from

DRIVEN OR ARTESIAN WELLS,

As constructed by the subscriber. Pumps and all necessary apparatus furnished of peculiarly convenient make.

ALL WORK WARRANTED.

T. F. HEWITT.

Bloomfield, N. J.

Keep away malignant fevers, and other disorders by using PURE WATER which can be obtained with certainty and cheapness from

DRIVEN OR ARTESIAN WELLS,

As constructed by the subscriber. Pumps and all necessary apparatus furnished of peculiarly convenient make.

ALL WORK WARRANTED.

T. F. HEWITT.

Bloomfield, N. J.

Keep away malignant fevers, and other disorders by using PURE WATER which can be obtained with certainty and cheapness from

DRIVEN OR ARTESIAN WELLS,

As constructed by the subscriber. Pumps and all necessary apparatus furnished of peculiarly convenient make.

ALL WORK WARRANTED.

T. F. HEWITT.

Bloomfield, N. J.

Keep away malignant fevers, and other disorders by using PURE WATER which can be obtained with certainty and cheapness from

DRIVEN OR ARTESIAN WELLS,

As constructed by the subscriber. Pumps and all necessary apparatus furnished of peculiarly convenient make.

ALL WORK WARRANTED.

T. F. HEWITT.

Bloomfield, N. J.

Keep away malignant fevers, and other disorders by using PURE WATER which can be obtained with certainty and cheapness from

DRIVEN OR ARTESIAN WELLS,

As constructed by the subscriber. Pumps and all necessary apparatus furnished of peculiarly convenient make.

ALL WORK WARRANTED.

T. F. HEWITT.

Bloomfield, N. J.

Keep away malignant fevers, and other disorders by using PURE WATER which can be obtained with certainty and cheapness from

DRIVEN OR ARTESIAN WELLS,

As constructed by the subscriber. Pumps and all necessary apparatus furnished of peculiarly convenient make.

ALL WORK WARRANTED.

T. F. HEWITT.

Bloomfield, N. J.

Keep away malignant fevers, and other disorders by using PURE WATER which can be obtained with certainty and cheapness from

DRIVEN OR ARTESIAN WELLS,

As constructed by the subscriber. Pumps and all necessary apparatus furnished of peculiarly convenient make.

ALL WORK WARRANTED.

T. F. HEWITT.

Bloomfield, N. J.

Keep away malignant fevers, and other disorders by using PURE WATER which can be obtained with certainty and cheapness from

DRIVEN OR ARTESIAN WELLS,

As constructed by the subscriber. Pumps and all necessary apparatus furnished of peculiarly convenient make.

ALL WORK WARRANTED.

T. F. HEWITT.

Bloomfield, N. J.

Keep away malignant fevers, and other disorders by using PURE WATER which can be obtained with certainty and cheapness from

DRIVEN OR ARTESIAN WELLS,

As constructed by the subscriber. Pumps and all necessary apparatus furnished of peculiarly convenient make.

ALL WORK WARRANTED.

T. F. HEWITT.

Bloomfield, N. J.

Keep away malignant fevers, and other disorders by using PURE WATER which can be obtained with certainty and cheapness from

DRIVEN OR ARTESIAN WELLS,

As constructed by the subscriber. Pumps and all necessary apparatus furnished of peculiarly convenient make.

ALL WORK WARRANTED.

T. F. HEWITT.

Bloomfield, N. J.

Keep away malignant fevers, and other disorders by using PURE WATER which can be obtained with certainty and cheapness from

DRIVEN OR ARTESIAN WELLS,

As constructed by the subscriber. Pumps and all necessary apparatus furnished of peculiarly convenient make.

ALL WORK WARRANTED.

T. F. HEWITT.

Bloomfield, N. J.

Keep away malignant fevers, and other disorders by using PURE WATER which can be obtained with certainty and cheapness from

DRIVEN OR ARTESIAN WELLS,

As constructed by the subscriber. Pumps and all necessary apparatus furnished of peculiarly convenient make.

ALL WORK WARRANTED.

T. F. HEWITT.

Bloomfield, N. J.